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**Box PATENT APPLICATION**  
**Assistant Commissioner for Patents**  
**Washington, D.C. 20231**

Re: New U.S. Patent Application  
Title: DATABASE ACCESS BRIDGE SYSTEM AND PROCESS  
Inventor: Graham Hamilton

Sir:

We enclose the following papers for filing in the United States Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above patent application.

- a. Application - 38 pages, including 4 independent claims and 40 claims total.
- b. Drawings - 15 sheets of formal drawings.
- c. Declaration and Power of Attorney.
- d. Recordation Form Cover Sheet and Assignment to Sun Microsystems, Inc.
- e. A check for \$1,168 representing a \$690 filing fee, \$438 for additional claims, and \$40.00 for recording the Assignment.

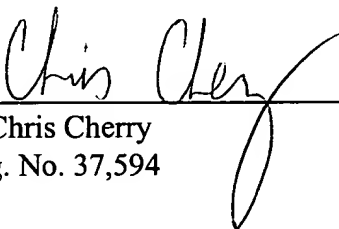
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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional filing fees due and any other fees due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or § 1.17 during the pendency of this application to our Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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